

Iowa Department of Natural Resources
Natural Resource Commission

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DECISION

TOPIC

Cooperative Agreement between IA DNR and Ducks Unlimited, Inc.

The Commission is asked to approve an agreement between the Department and Ducks Unlimited, Inc. (DU) for support of habitat development and restoration activities in Saskatchewan, Canada, in the amount of \$34,155. The agreement represents 15% of revenue generated from the sale of the Iowa duck stamp privilege required by migratory waterfowl hunters.

DU, under this Agreement, will develop, preserve, restore, construct, maintain and repair lands and structures that provide the most advantageous habitat for reproduction for migratory waterfowl that are common to Iowa. The Department is interested in this habitat work in Canada because it will increase the numbers of and opportunities for waterfowl that migrate to Iowa.

This agreement has been in place every year since the duck stamp funds have been available, with exception last year when DNR used some of the funds for joint DU and Department projects in the state due to budget shortfalls for state-level programs.

Kenneth Herring, Administrator
Conservation and Recreation Division
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